

## North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To:

LME Directors

From:

Dr. Michael Lancaster,

Chief of Clinical Policy

RE:

Mobile Crisis Management Information session for MH/DD/SAS Trust Funds

By now all Local Management Entities (LME) should be aware that the Division has received federal approval from the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services to have Mobile Crisis Management in the Division's service array, and more specifically for the Division's Crisis Services continuum. If endorsed by a LME/ the Division, providers may bill for Mobile Crisis Management effective March 20, 2006. Mobile Crisis Management is a service that will require a great deal of clinical and crisis management skills, knowledge, and abilities essential for overall success. More importantly, Mobile Crisis Management is a service that will require a significant amount of coordination and collaboration with other crisis services within the continuum and other newly approved enhanced services. It is our hope that you will take this opportunity to attend/participate in a conference call/meeting to find out about a way to access Mental Health Trust Funds to start-up or enhance Mobile Crisis Management in your respective communities/LMEs.

If you are interested in attending/participating in this Information Session that will be held on February 23, 2006 @ 1:00pm, please contact Patrick Piggott at (919) 733-3654 or email, <a href="Patrick.Piggott@ncmail">Patrick.Piggott@ncmail</a> to RSVP by 5:00pm on February 22, 2006. Should you have further questions you may direct them to Dr. Michael Lancaster at (919) 733-7011 or email, <a href="Michael.Lancaster@ncmail.net">Michael.Lancaster@ncmail.net</a>.

cc: Secretary Carmen Hooker Odom

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